

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS:

Entry of the above amendments, and reconsideration and further examination of this application as amended is respectfully requested. Please cancel all pending claims without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. New claims 1-31 are now pending in the application.

A. Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. § 101

The Examiner rejected claims 5 through 90 under 35 U.S.C. §101, for failing to claim statutory subject matter and in particular found that none of the claims are limited to practical applications in the technological arts. Applicant respectfully believes that the examiner has misunderstood the invention that is being claimed and the nature of that invention as a result, at least in part, of claim language that included unclear or ambiguous language. As a result, the Applicant has replaced the pending claims with a new set of claims intended to better clarify the intended metes and bounds of the invention. Furthermore, each of the claims is now explicitly directed to practical applications in the technological art of computer software. Thus, Applicant believes that the pending claims overcome the Examiner's rejection thereof under 35 U.S.C. §101, and reconsideration of that rejection is respectfully requested.

B. Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph

Examiner also rejected the claims under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph for a lack of enablement because the current case law requires such a rejection if a 101 rejection is given. Because each claim now pending in the application is specifically directed to the useful technological arts, Applicant believes that the pending claims overcome the Examiner's rejection thereof under 35 U.S.C. §112, and reconsideration of that rejection is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION:

A bona-fide attempt has been made to place this application in condition for allowance. Each of the Examiner's bases for objection and rejection have been addressed and the claims have been canceled and new claims drafted to overcome their rejection. The application is now believed to meet all statutory requirements and is thus believed to be in condition for allowance. The Examiner's early indication to that effect is, therefore, courteously solicited.

If a telephone conference would expedite allowance or resolve any additional questions, such a call is invited at the Examiner's convenience.

Applicant has enclosed a check for fees due with this response. If any additional fees are due with this response, please charge any additional fees due, or credit any overpayment to, deposit account 50-0792.

Respectfully submitted,

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